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For: FUEL FOR SOLID ELECTROLYTE TYPE FUEL CELL AND SOLID ELECTROLYTE  
TYPE FUEL CELL AND A METHOD OF USING IT

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1. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2001-93558, published April 6, 2001.
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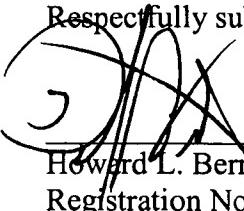
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